

## Fearful Tales Of Famine In China

ONE MILLION WILL STARVE UN-

**\$1,500,000 NEEDED**

**Poor Are Trying to Sell Their Children  
—Sufferers Need Help Five Months  
Yet—Plague Decreasing at Dacca.**

Washington, Feb. 8.—Every incoming mail brings to the state department harrowing tales of distress among the unfortunate Chinese. Today the department made public a report by Consul Gracey at Nanking, enclosing

in the famine district. Rev. E. B. Lob-  
stienne estimates that in the whole Kam-  
fine district at least one million will die  
of starvation if not aided. One cent a  
day is the smallest amount that will

support life for each person, so that \$1,500,000 will be necessary for the five months the starving will require help. The poor are trying to sell their children, but they can scarcely obtain a pittance for them, and as soon as the real cold and wet weather came (his letter was dated December 28 last) the death rate would increase greatly.

Mr. Caldwell, the acting consul at

Dalny, telegraphs that there have been 65 cases and 30 deaths from plague at that port up to date. The cases are decreasing, though there is no quarantine, and the bean trade is much crippled.

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**TALK BY WIRELESS**

OVER 5,700 MILES

San Francisco in Touch With Japan

by Using a Relay.

San Francisco, Feb. 8.—The wireless operator in this city talked for an hour on Monday night with the operator at Choshi Shimosu, on the coast of Japan, 5,700 miles away. The messages were passed across the Pacific with one relay. It is said that the performance establishes a new record for wireless work in this quarter of the globe.

The operator got into communication with two of the Pacific Mail company steamships, the Manchuria, which was 8,295 miles away, bound from Hong

king, and the Korea, which was on its way to this port and about seven miles nearer. Both vessels took a message to the Japanese station, asking for the weather report at Oahu, Shimosa, and both received the report and relayed it. The dots and dashes came distinctly and without interruption.

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### MEXICAN REBELS RETREAT

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 6.—Five rebels killed and six horses and 25,000 rounds of ammunition captured by the result of a battle between 60 rebels and 75 Mexican troops under the command of Captain Gonzalez.

The battle, according to advices received by telephone, lasted 45 minutes. The federal troops had the advantage of position in the canyon and poured a deadly fire into the rebel ranks. Within a short time 15 rebels

As soon as the result of the fight was learned by Governor Vega, the Lower California he started in pursuit of the insurgents.

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**RESCUED \$3,000 FROM  
OLD SUIT OF CLOTHES**

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**Found When Samuel Barlow's Old Suit Was About to Be Burned**

North Canaan, Conn., Feb. 3.—H lack of faith in the stability of war and his habit of carrying around large sums of money in his clothing near cost the estate of Solomon Barlow of this place \$2,000. Barlow died on Monday last in a Pittsfield hospital and preparations were being made today for the funeral an old suit of clothing which Barlow had been wearing was about to be burned when something

was discovered in one of the pockets which on investigation proved to be a package of bonds and bills amounting to \$3,040. None of the family, including the widow, knew that Barstow had any such amount in his possession, though he was reputed to be wealthy and owned considerable real estate in this and neighboring towns. Barstow was 74 years old.

**Colorado Opposition Causes Foreigners' Expulsion from Rancho.**

Delta, Col., Feb. 8.—Opposition to the employment of Japanese labor on the orchards of western Colorado came to a head Monday night, when riders visited the camp of Japanese

employed in setting out fruit trees at a ranch near here and drove them off, warning them not to return on pain of death. The Japanese left the ranch.

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**State Lumber Dealers Favor Reciprocity.**

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 2.—The Lumber

ber Democrats' association of Connecticut at its annual meeting today, which was attended by two hundred, unanimous adopted resolutions approving the proposed reciprocity treaty with Canada as for the business interests of both countries and urging Connecticut members of congress to support the mea-

**Native Uprising in Caroline Islands**  
Victoria, B. C., Feb. 2.—The steamship Zealandia, which arrived last night, brought reports of the uprising suppressed by German warships at Rongerik Island in the Carolines.

trouble started from the punishment of a native workman. The German over-seers fled and took shelter in a Catholic mission, which the natives placed under siege. The defenders, nine in number, all Germans, were killed. Father Gebhard, a missionary, was killed while seeking to leave the mission.

**Asks \$240,000 for Sewdoin.**  
Boston, Feb. 3.—An appeal for \$140,000

000 for the use of the medical department and \$100,000 for a new gymnasium for Bowdoin college was included in the address of President William Devitt Hyde before the Bowdoin Alumni association of Boston at its fortieth annual banquet at the American house tonight. Of the sum \$50,000

gymnasium the president reported that  
a New York friend of the college had  
started the subscription with \$100.

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